

January 31, 2018

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on January 31, 2018, 10:03 a.m. Present were Commissioners Christmann, Kroshus and Fedorchak.

Minutes

Mr. Christmann: I move the minutes of January 10, 2018, be approved.

Ms Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-17-398
Otter Tail Power Company
2017 Electric Rate Increase
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission execute a contract with Larkin & Associates, PLLC for consulting services in Otter Tail Power Company, 2017 Electric Rate Increase, Application, Case No. PU-17-398.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-17-467
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.,
a Division of MDU Resources
Mott Grain & Agronomy –
Hettinger County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., Mott Grain & Agronomy – Hettinger County, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-17-467.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-18-18
Northern States Power Company
Cogeneration –
Small Power Production
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's annual update of cogeneration and small power production rate schedules in Northern States Power Company, Cogeneration – Small Power Production, Rates, Case No. PU-18-18.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-18-22
Otter Tail Power Company
Small Power Production /
Cogeneration
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Otter Tail Power Company's Cogeneration and Small Power Production Rates in Otter Tail Power Company, Small Power Production / Cogeneration, Rates, Case No. PU-18-22.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-17-362
Border Winds Energy /
Northern States Power Co.
Transfer of Site Certificate
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$4,949.24 in Border Winds Energy / Northern States Power Co., Transfer of Site Certificate, Siting Application, Case No. PU-17-362.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-14-681
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Bond Release 8 for Permit No.
BNCR-8106
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Bond Release No. 8 for Surface Coal Mining Permit No. BNCR-8106, held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to release all reclamation liabilities on 56.47 acres located in the SE¼ of Section 35, T142N, R84W, Oliver County. No monetary release is being requested since the current bond amount is based on the worst-case reclamation condition at the Center Mine. The bond release will become effective March 2, 2018, unless a formal hearing is requested.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-17-88
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Revision 31 for Permit KRSB-8603
Approval

WITHDRAWN

Case No. PU-17-372
Northern States Power Company
Advance Prudence –
302.4 MW Dakota Range Wind
Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 302.4 MW Dakota Range Wind, Application, Case No. PU-17-372.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-17-284
Foxtail Wind, LLC
Foxtail Wind Energy Center –
Dickey County
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issuing Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 53 in Foxtail Wind, LLC, Foxtail Wind Energy Center – Dickey County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-17-284.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-17-483
ONEOK Rockies Midstream, L.L.C.
Cherry Creek Pipeline–
McKenzie & Williams Counties
Siting Application

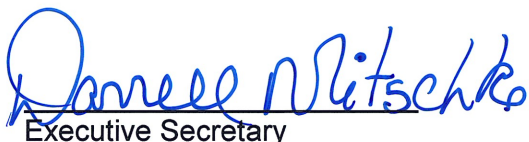
Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission deem the application complete and issue a Notice of Filings and Public Hearing in ONEOK Rockies Midstream, L.L.C., Cherry Creek Pipeline– McKenzie & Williams Counties, Siting Application, Case No. PU-17-483.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 12:21 P.M.


Executive Secretary


RANDY CHRISTMANN, CHAIRMAN